## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (original): A method for strengthening a vessel wall of a subject comprising: identifying a region of weakness in a vessel wall; the region of weakness comprising at least one target layer; and

applying energy to the region of weakness in an amount effective to induce fibrosis in a target layer, to thereby strengthen the vessel wall.

Claims 2-50 (canceled)